

▪ **Required Uses of Perkins Funds**

1. Strengthen the academic and career and technical skills of students participating in CTE programs through the integration of academics with CTE programs.
2. Link CTE at the secondary level and the postsecondary level, including by offering the relevant elements of not less than one program of study described in Section 122(c)(1)(A).
3. Provide students with strong experience in and understanding of all aspects of an industry, which may include work-based learning experiences.
4. Develop, improve, or expand the use of technology in CTE, which may include training to use technology, providing students with the skills needed to enter technology fields, and encouraging schools to collaborate with technology industries to offer internships and mentoring programs.
5. Provide in-service and pre-service professional development programs to teachers, faculty, administrators, and career guidance and academic counselors who are involved in integrated CTE programs, on topics including effective integration of academics and CTE, effective teaching skills based on research, effective practices to improve parental and community involvement, effective use of scientifically based research and data to improve instruction. Professional development should also ensure that teachers and personnel stay current with all aspects of an industry; involve internship programs that provide relevant business experience; and train teachers in the effective use and application of technology.
6. Develop and implement evaluations of the CTE programs carried out with Perkins funds, including an assessment of how the needs of special populations are being met.
7. Initiate, improve, expand and modernize quality CTE programs, including relevant technology.
8. Provide services and activities that are of sufficient size, scope and quality to be effective.
9. Provide activities to prepare special populations, including single parents and displaced homemakers who are enrolled in CTE programs, for high-wage, high-skill or high-demand occupations that will lead to self-sufficiency.